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Iron and Steel Plants

1. The steel works at Zenica are equipped with eight Siemens-Martin furnaces. Furnaces 7 and 8 each have a capacity of 60 tons per charge. Plans have been made for the construction of a crucible furnace, but these have been lying in abeyance pending delivery of the necessary cranes from Hungary. The Zenica works do possess, however, a crane with a lifting capacity of 125 tons.
2. The Smederevo iron works put into operation on 1 September 1949 a new Siemens-Martin furnace with a capacity of 25 tons per charge.
3. On 29 November 1949 a new foundry was opened at Jastrebac, near Nis.
4. A new rolling mill began operations in Jesenice on 29 November 1949. All its installations with the exception of some electric motors are said to have been constructed in Yugoslavia. The electric motors were procured from [redacted] Sixteen motors were originally to have been received from Hungary on the reparations account, but delivery was not forthcoming.
5. The Jesenice rolling mill produces sheets in a width of 2,400 mm. The plant has a planned production capacity of 40,000 tons of sheet metal per annum.

Electrical Industry

6. There are at present two electrode factories of unknown capacity in Yugoslavia. One is at Dobrava and the other is at Sibenik. Electrodes of the new "Triglav" type are manufactured at these plants.
7. It is reported that in the course of 1949 the Litostroj factory at Ljubljana equipped seven water power plants with a total of 19 turbines having a total annual capacity of 95,000,000 KWH.

Railroads

8. The freight yards at Vinkovci on the Zagreb-Belgrade railway line have

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been appreciably extended. In 1939 the Vinkovci yards handled 45,000 cars; in 1948, 75,000 cars were handled; in 1949, 110,000 cars with a loading capacity of 2,000,000 tons were passed through the yards. Over 100 locomotives are serviced daily at Vinkovci.

9. In 1948, 32 kilometers of new sidings with 80 points were laid down at Vinkovci. The extension of the yards necessitated the moving of 140,000 cubic meters of earth and the laying of 900 cubic meters of cement.
10. The Bor mines are to be connected in the course of 1950 with the Nis-Zajecar-Prahovo railway by means of a 28 kilometer normal gauge branch line. The new branch is to join the main line at Vrazogrnice, north of Zajecar. At present the Bor mines are connected only by means of a narrow-gauge line with the Zajecar-Cuprija narrow gauge railway.
11. Work on the new branch will be started in the spring of 1950. The project will involve the blasting of three tunnels of a total length of 674 meters and the construction of a large bridge. Some 175,000 cubic meters of earth will have to be moved.

Prijedor Cellulose Factory

12. The cellulose factory at Prijedor, Bosnia, which was recently put into operation, is reported to be the largest plant of its kind in the Balkans. Construction was begun two years ago and involved the expenditure of 400,000,000 dinars. The facilities consist of five large vats for the boiling of the cellulose plus a plant for the production of sulphuric acid from pyrites. The latter installation is equipped with a spraying tower 45 meters high.
13. Wood for the cellulose plant is cut in the Grmec and Kozara districts along the rim of the Sava Valley. The plant is to have an annual output capacity of 11,000 tons of cellulose and paper.

Cannery at Zadar

14. The fish cannery at Zadar has been equipped with a new drying installation which can process a load of fish in 40 minutes. The Zadar factory produces 50,000 cans of fish per day.